

# WHAT CHILD IS THIS?

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16th Cent. English Air  
Words: William Chatterton Dix, 1865

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Tenor 1

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2. Why lies He in - such mean es - tate, - Where ox and ass - are  
3. So bring Him in - cense, gold and myrrh, - Come pea - sant, King - to

Tenor 2

Baritone

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Bass

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T1

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feed - ing? Good Chris - tians, fear - for sin - ners here, - The si - lent Word - is  
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T2

Bar

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# What Child Is This?

2

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T1

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keep - ing? This, this - is Christ the King - Whom shep - herds guard - and an - gels sing;  
 plead - ing. Nails, spear - shall pierce Him through - The cross He bourne - for me, for you.  
 throne Him. Raise, raise - a song on high; - The Vir - gin sings - her lul - la - by.

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BABE \_\_\_\_

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T1

Haste, haste - to bring Him laud, - The Babe - the Son - of Ma - ry.  
 Hail, hail - the Word made flesh - The Babe, - the Son - of Ma - ry.  
 Joy, joy - for Christ is born, - The Babe - the Son - of Ma - ry.

T2

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